

FORESTRY, LAND, & RECREATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: September 5, 2012
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Committee Room 1, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

PRESENT: Chair Baier; Committee Members: Martinson, Rudolph, Shidell, Sorensen.
Forestry Staff: Bilogan, Fiene, Bradley.

OTHERS: Bill Welsh, Lester Felbab, OCATVA. Guy Hansen, RASTA.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER— At 9:00 a.m. Chair Baier called the meeting to order, noting that it had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR'S DISCRETION— It was moved by Sorensen, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. All aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JULY 24 and AUGUST 1, 2012 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETINGS— It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Shidell, to approve the minutes of the July 24 and August 1, 2012 Forestry Committee meetings. All aye. Motion carried.

2013 FORESTRY DEPARTMENT BUDGET- Bilogan detailed the budget requests for 2013 for each Business Account. Rudolph moved to accept the budget as proposed and send forward to the Finance Committee. Martinson seconded. All aye, Motion carried.

ENDING BALANCE IN MINING IMPACT ACCOUNT. Because the County Board has ended the mining exploration activities for Oneida County, Bilogan asked the committee what they wished to do with the balance remaining. Rudolph stated that the Mineral Resources funds were very specific as to their use and should return to the originating account, Mineral Resources. Martinson disagreed, proposing to put it to the general fund. Rudolph moved to transfer the balance in the Mining Impact Account to the Mineral Resources account. Sorensen seconded. Motion carried, 4-1, with Martinson dissenting.

FOREST MANAGEMENT:

- a) **YEAR-TO-DATE TIMBER STUMPAGE REVENUE REPORT**—
Fiene reported that the August stumpage revenue was \$43,903.99; stumpage year to date totals \$678,659.91
- b) **TIMBER SALES FOR DISPOSITION**—It was moved by Sorensen, seconded by Martinson, to act on the following timber contract as follows:

Contract # 1529 held by **Wayne Wagler** was **closed** as satisfactorily completed, and return full letter of credit in the amount of \$18,203.16

Contract # 1535 held by **Futurewood** was **closed** as satisfactorily completed, and return full letter of credit in the amount of \$6585.97

Contract # 1554 held by **Futurewood** was **closed** as satisfactorily completed, and return full letter of credit in the amount of \$15296.08

It was moved by Shidell, seconded by Rudolph to approve timber contract extensions as follows:

Contract # 1510, Turcott Crop Sale, held by Steven Dassow LLC. Approx 10% completed. Extend from 2 year to 3 year contract with an increase of 15% (2nd extension) on remaining stumpage.

Contract # 1534, Gobler Lake Birch Sale, held by Wiitala & Vozka. Approx 60% completed. Extend contract from two year to three year with an increase of 10% on remaining stumpage.

Contract # 1536, Ruth Turcott Hardwood Sale, held by New Page. 0% completed. Extend contract from 2 year to 3 year with an increase of 10% on remaining stumpage.

- c) The fall timber sale will be advertised beginning in mid-September. Bids will be due at noon on Tuesday November 6 and awarded at the November 7 committee meeting.

COUNTY ELECTION PERTAINING TO SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS & COMMUNITIES ACT. Oneida County receives approximately \$12,000/year from USFS. This year there is an option to receive the funds calculated under the SRSCA statute or by taking a 7-year average. Rudolph moved to continue to receive the funds based on a 7-year average of actual forest receipts. Martinson seconded. All aye, motion carried.

McCORD INDIAN VILLAGE – Fiene presented some information taken from the internet about the history and protection of the village. He noted that if any activity is considered by the county which would impact the village site, the tribes are notified.

MEMORIAL BENCH REQUEST. A local citizen requested to have a memorial bench seat placed by a trail out at Perch Lake Park. Rudolph moved the request be approved, and Martinson seconded. All aye. Motion carried.

TOWN LINE LAKE PURPLE BLADDERWORT. No action taken.

VOUCHERS, LINE ITEM TRANSFER. It was moved by Sorensen, seconded by Martinson to approve payment of vouchers and a line item transfer. All aye. Motion passed.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETINGS. None noted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS— None

NEXT FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING—*Wednesday October 3, 2012, 9:00 a.m.*

ADJOURNMENT—With business completed, it was moved by Sorensen, seconded by Rudolph, to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

GARY BAIER
CHAIR

JILL BRADLEY
RECORDING SECRETARY